

LISTING OF THE CLAIMS

The following listing of claims replaces all prior versions.

1(CURRENTLY AMENDED). A display case for storing and showing articles, said display device comprising:

a housing;

a case adapted to hold several articles, said case being mounted in said housing, said case being rotatable between an open position in which the articles from the case are accessible and a closed position in which the articles are inside the housing and not accessible, said case having a top and a bottom surface, one of said top and bottom surfaces including a pin;
[and]

a lock mounted on one of said housing and said case and adapted to block said case at least in said closed position; and

a track formed in said housing defining said open and closed positions for said case, said pin extending into said track and riding along said track as said case is rotated.

2 (ORIGINAL). The display device of claim 1 wherein said lock is adapted to block said case from movement in said open position.

3 (ORIGINAL). The display device of claim 1 wherein said case has a vertical axis and is mount to rotate about said vertical axis with respect to said housing.

4 (ORIGINAL). The display device of claim 1 further comprising a shelf mounted on said case.

5 (ORIGINAL). The display device of claim 4 wherein said shelf is removable from said case.

6 (CURRENTLY AMENDED). A display device comprising:

a housing having lateral walls and openings formed in said lateral walls;

a plurality of cases, each case being rotatably mounted in one of said openings,

each case being formed of a wall with a front and a back opposed to said front, and being individually rotatable so that either the front or the back are selectively presented through a respective opening;

a plurality of shelves, each shelf being removably mounted on the wall of one of said cases and adapted to hold [said] articles, said cases being rotatable between an open and a closed position, said shelves being mounted on said front to allow [wherein] said articles [are accessible] to be removed from said shelves when the respective case is in the open position and wherein said articles are not accessible from said shelf when the respective case is in the closed position; and

[locking means for blocking said cases in said closed position]

a plurality of locking members mounted on said housing, each locking member engaging a respective case in said open and closed positions .

7 (ORIGINAL). The display device of claim 6 wherein said shelves are removably attached to said cases.

8 (CURRENTLY AMENDED). The display device of claim 6 wherein said cases include a back wall with apertures and wherein said cases [are adapted] include hanging means to hang each case from said apertures.

9 (ORIGINAL). The display cases of claim 6 wherein said shelves are partitioned into chambers sized and shaped to hold a predetermined number of said articles.

10 (ORIGINAL). The display cases of claim 6 wherein said shelves are partitioned into chambers, each chamber being arranged and constructed to receive one of a first predetermined articles, wherein said chambers are designed to hold a predetermined DVDs and a predetermined number of video tapes.

11 (ORIGINAL). The display device of claim 10 further comprising clips arranged to bias said DVDs and video tapes toward the front end of the chambers.

12 (ORIGINAL). The display device of claim 6 wherein said cases have respective rear surfaces visible externally when said cases are in closed position, said rear surfaces being adapted to hold one of a decoration and an advertisement.

13 (CURRENTLY AMENDED). A display device for holding DVDs, video cassettes and/or other similar media carriers, comprising:

a housing having a substantially tubular shape with a lateral opening;

a case disposed in said lateral opening and rotatable about an axis with respect to said housing, said case being rotatable between an open and a closed position, said case being formed of a wall having a top edge and a bottom edge, said top and bottom edges each having a pin pivotably engaged by said housing to define said axis ; and a plurality of shelves removably attached to said wall, each [a] shelf being adapted to hold a stack of said media [articles] carriers [and mounted on said case], each said shelf [cooperating with said shelf] being positioned on said wall to provide access to said media [articles] carriers only when said case is in the open position[, and to prevent removal of said articles when said [cases are] case is in the closed position]; and

a lock adapted to selectively block movement of [one of said cases] said case when said case is in said open and said closed positions, said lock selectively extending between

one of said top and bottom edges and said housing.

14 (ORIGINAL). The display device of claim 13 wherein each shelf comprises a box sized and shaped to hold said stack.

15 (ORIGINAL). The display device of claim 14 wherein said box has a front opening to allow the media articles to be inserted and removed from the box.

16 (ORIGINAL). The display device of claim 15 wherein each said box includes a rear opening.

17 (ORIGINAL). The display device of claim 16 further comprising biasing means for biasing media articles toward said front opening.

18 (ORIGINAL). The display device of claim 17 wherein said biasing means include metallic clips.

19 (CURRENTLY AMENDED). The display device of claim [6] 13 further comprising an angular limiting means for limiting the angular rotation of the device, said angular limiting means including a semicircular track formed in said housing and a tracking pin attached to one of said top and bottom edges and extending into said track.

20 (ORIGINAL). The display device of claim 19 wherein said angular limiting means limits the movement of said cases to about 180°.

21 (ORIGINAL). The display device of claim 16 wherein said shelves are

transparent.

22 (ORIGINAL). The display device of claim 16 wherein said housing has one of two, three and four cases.

23 (ORIGINAL). The display device of claim 22 wherein all the cases have the same widths.

24 (ORIGINAL). The display device of claim 22 wherein the cases have one of two widths.

25 (NEW). The display device of claim 13 wherein said said lock includes a tongue, a first slot and a second slot, said tongue being mounted on one of said edges and said housing and said slots being formed in the other of said edges and said housing, said tongue being inserted in said first slot to lock said case in the open position and in said second slot to lock said case in the closed position.

26 (NEW). The display device of claim 25 wherein said slots are formed in one of said edges and said tongue is attached to said housing.

27 (NEW). The display device of claim 25 wherein said housing has a top and said lock is associated with said top.

28 (NEW). The display device of claim 25 wherein said slots are arranged to define an angle of about 180 degrees for the rotation of said case between said open and closed positions.